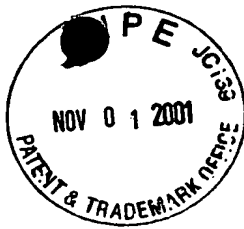


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Prior to examination on the merits please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown on the marked-up copy following this amendment to read as follows:

10. (Amended) A granular pharmaceutical composition according to any one of claims 1 through 9, wherein the drug having a disagreeable taste is a drug selected from the group consisting of cetraxate hydrochloride, ecapapide, nefiracetam, talampicillin hydrochloride, indenolol hydrochloride, hydralazine hydrochloride, chlorpromazine hydrochloride, tiaramide hydrochloride, berberine chloride, digitoxin, sulpyrine, azelastine hydrochloride, etilefrine hydrochloride, diltiazem hydrochloride, propranolol hydrochloride, chloramphenical, aminophyllin, erythromycin, clarithromycin, phenobarbital, calcium pantothenate, indeloxazine hydrochloride, aminoguanidine hydrochloride, bifemelane

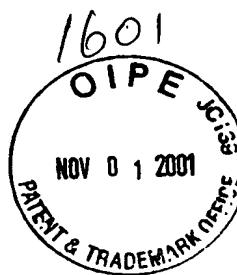
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment with marked up copy in the above-identified application.

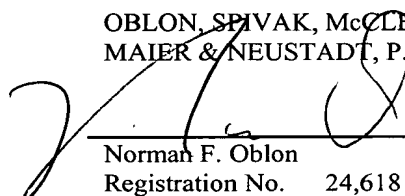
- ☐ No additional fee is required
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